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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Soviet Broadcasts to Near East-South Asian
Countries

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I'd like to know what we know about Soviet foreign native-language broadcasts in the Middle East-South Asian area. To what countries--ranging from Turkey, Iraq, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Pakistan, Afghanistan, India--do the Soviets have propaganda broadcasts in local languages? I'd also appreciate learning whatever you can tell me about the volume of such broadcasts (hours per day or per week) and whether these broadcasts are carried only on short wave bands or on medium wave as well.

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